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February 6th. 1952.

My dear Leo;

For the last nights I have been waking up with a strong desire to write to you. I am wondering how you are! From Katherine I hear of ups and downs. Sometimes you seem to feel alright and at others you are tired and stay in bed. I hope that when this letter reaches you, you will feel much better. -

Some time ago Katherine wrote to me that you make plans of coming to Europe this Spring. May be some cure could help you. How about Vichy or Bad Gastein or some other place! May be a doctor could advise you.

You probably were estonished that I stayed here so long, but the operation on my back, the attacks of dysentary and the monsoon have completely taken my strength and I was grateful to be able to be in this quietness of the Himalayas and to be in this harmonious household. Nevertheless I shudder to think of passing through another monsson season and I am taking my courage together in asking you a big favor. What would you think about letting Katherine come to get me here! Then we could meet you in Europe and stay there during the summer and be united again. I just have not the strength to travel alone, as I am rather weak and shaky on my legs. This might sound strange to you, since I was the one to take care of Katherine, but the cards seem to have turned for the time being and I feel I have to ask you for this. I am writing you without letting Katherine know, so that you can feel free to make your own decision first. I know ~~it will mean a great deal of travelling~~ I am asking a lot of you. Also for Katherine it will mean a great deal of travelling alone, but one the other hand it would give her a chance to see Mme. Roerich again who you know, is at an advanced age and has a very frail heart. We here tremble at every indisposition of hers. Katherine would have to leave very soon, so that we could avoid the stifling heats of the plains later on, and also to be able to meet you for Spring in Europe. In the hope that this letter does not fall as a bombshell upon you, but rather as a solution agreeable to you. I am, always in deep gratitude and love yours,

Suzanne

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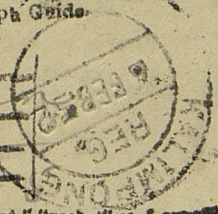
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